

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

In the May 7, 2007 Office Action, made final by the Examiner, claims 1-10, 12-17 and 22-24 were allowed. Claims 11 and 25-31 were withdrawn, and 18-21 were finally rejected. Claims 11 and 25-31, previously withdrawn in response to an earlier restriction requirement, are canceled herein. Rejected claims 18-21 are canceled herein.

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's statements regarding the arguments presented in Applicant's February 14, 2007 Response and Amendment. With respect to claims 18-21, Applicant also disagrees with the Examiner's statements regarding the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). However, Applicant has canceled claims 18-21 herein without acquiescence to the assessment or rejections in order to allow this application to proceed to issuance. Applicant reserves the right to present claims directed to the subject matter of claims 18-21 in a subsequent continuation or continuation-in-part application.

Claims 11 and 25-31, previously nonelected with traverse in Applicant's November 16, 2005 Response to the Office's restriction requirement, are canceled herein. Applicant reiterates its traverse of the restriction, but cancels the nonelected claims herein in order to allow this application to proceed to issuance. Applicant reserves the right to present claims directed to the subject matter of claims 11 and 25-31 in a subsequent divisional application.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the amendments and remarks made herein, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance, and requests consideration of the same. Applicant requests that the Examiner telephone the undersigned in the event a telephone discussion would be helpful in advancing the prosecution of the application. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or underpayment of fees regarding this response, including extensions for reply, to Deposit Account No. 07-1509.

Respectfully submitted,

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